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E.O. 11652: DECON ON RECEIPT

TAGS: EAIR, RP, SA

SUBJECT: PHILIPPINES/SAUDI ARABIA AIR AGREEMENT CONCLUDED IN  
JIDDA

1. DFA HAS ANNOUNCED THE CONCLUSION OF A CIVIL AVIATION AGREEMENT IN JIDDA BETWEEN THE PHILIPPINES AND SAUDI ARABIA WHICH WOULD PERMIT AIR TRAFFIC BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. UNDERSECRETARY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS JOSE D. INGLES AND SHEIKH ABDULLAH MAHDI, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATION OF SAUDI ARABIA, INITIALED THE AGREEMENT WHICH WILL BE PROVISIONALLY IN EFFECT.

2. AMBASSADOR PLANA OF THE LEGAL OFFICE HAS TOLD US THAT THE DFA RECEIVED A SHORT CABLE REPORT FROM THE PHILIPPINE CIVIL AVIATION TEAM. HE WAS NOT FAMILIAR WITH THE HISTORY OF THE NEGOTIATION, AND SAID A COPY OF THE AGREEMENT WOULD NOT BE AVAILABLE UNTIL THE RETURN OF UNDERSECRETARY INGLES. HE THEREFORE PLEADED IGNORANCE OF THE DETAILS OF THE AGREEMENT.

3. COMMENT: THE GOP PLACES HIGH PRIORITY ON AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SAUDIS IN ORDER TO PROVIDE SERVICE

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FOR ITS MUSLIM PILGRIMS AND ALSO TO TAP THE GROWING TRAFFIC OF GUESTS WORKERS GOING TO AND FROM SAUDI ARABIA AND THE MIDDLE EAST. WE ARE CERTAIN THAT PAL WOULD FLY TO JIDDA BUT WOULD BE INTERESTED TO LEARN WHETHER SAUDI AIRLINES PLANS TO COME TO MANILA.

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